

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION NURSES WEEK

WHEREAS: Nurses comprise our state's largest health care profession, working to meet the

diverse and emerging needs of Georgia's population in a wide range of settings;

and

WHEREAS: Nurses are essential to the health care process and their efforts are especially

important in ensuring patients receive quality care. The demand for registered nursing services will likely continue to increase in the near future due to an aging population, advancements in life-saving technology, and the growth of

home health services; and

WHEREAS: Nurses offer specialized care in a cost-effective manner and are integral to the

future success of Georgia's health care delivery system; and

WHEREAS: The Georgia Nurses Association (GNA) is working to enhance the delivery of

primary health care and emphasize the importance of preventive health care

measures to better utilize our state's registered nurses; and

WHEREAS: Nurses Week provides citizens and organizations across the state the

opportunity to recognize the hard work and commitment of registered nurses each day. This year GNA is showcasing the theme "Nursing: The Balance of Mind, Body and Spirit," to celebrate the nurses in Georgia who dedicate themselves to the health and wellness of all patients through the administration of safe, high-

quality care that continues to improve our health care system; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 6-

12, 2017, as NURSES WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 21st day of April in the year of our Lord

two thousand seventeen.

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